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SCOTTISH COUNCIL FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

CONSTITUTION.

1. Name: Scottish Council for Nuclear Disarmament.

2. Object: To campaign for the ending of all nuclear weapon tests and the abolition of nuclear weapons.

3. The Council shall work by promoting nation-wide activities in support of the Object and by co-ordinating and encouraging the activities of local councils.

4. Membership of SCND shall be open to individuals irrespective of their political affiliations or religious adherence on payment of an annual subscription of 5/-, payable to the local council. One half of each subscription shall be remitted by the local council to SCND for its funds.

5. SCN.D shall not be affiliated to any political party.

6. SCND shall hold an annual general meeting in January or February. The Chairman shall have a personal vote and a casting vote. Any 20 members may at any time require the Secretary to call a Special General Meeting. At least 30 days' notice shall be given for an annual general meeting and 5 for a special general meeting.

7. The annual general meeting shall elect the following office-bearers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and 2 auditors. A General Committee shall be set up consisting of the office-bearers except the auditors, and delegates from each local council elected by the local council in the proportion of 2 for the first 100 members or part and 1 for each succeeding 100 or part and also not more than 4 individual members. The General Committee shall meet at least every six weeks/two months and shall appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of the office-bearers except the auditors and four members of the General Committee. The Executive Committee shall have power to co-opt, subject to confirmation in each case by the next meeting of the General Committee.

8. The General Committee shall be responsible between annual meetings for the overall policy and strategy of the Campaign. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the practical application of General Committee decisions and for dealing with situations arising between General Committee meetings.

9. Payments over £10 shall be by Bank Cheque signed by the Chairman or acting Chairman and by the Treasurer or acting Treasurer. The funds of the Council shall be applied solely to the work of SCND. Office-bearers and members shall be entitled to their reasonable and legitimate expenses but no remuneration for their services. The General Committee may, however, appoint a paid organising Secretary or other Officer.

10. In the event of the dissolution of SCND any funds remaining after the affairs of the Council have been wound up shall not be repaid to members but devoted to an organisation or organisations having similar aims.